

# MEETING OF THE CITY OF RUSHVILLE, INDIANA COMMON COUNCIL

**AUGUST 21, 2018**

**6:00 P.M.**

**CALL TO ORDER:** The Common Council of the City of Rushville met on the above date and time at 270 West 15<sup>th</sup> Street, Rushville, Indiana. Mayor Pavey called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** The Pledge to the Flag was recited by those present.

**PRAYER:** Councilman Bridges led those present in prayer.

**ROLL CALL:** Bob Bridges, Brian Conner, Craig Smith, and Gary Cameron answered roll call. Brad Berkemeier was not present. Also present was City Attorney, Tracy Newhouse and Kraig Younts, *Rushville Republican*.

**PUBLIC HEARING – Philpot Annexation 1531 N Spencer - #70-07-31-101-004-000.010** – The public hearing was opened for the annexation of the vacant lot at 1531 N Spencer. There were no questions or comments from the public; Conner moved to close the public hearing. Smith seconded the motion. The public hearing was closed.

**MINUTES:** Cameron moved to approve the August 7, 2018 minutes as presented. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**MAYOR’S REPORT:** Mayor Pavey reported the following:

1. The City Center sign is up. They need to make adjustments.
2. Patronicity project – We are 14 days out and have raised approximately \$32,000.00 towards our goal of \$50,000.00. There are 46 days remaining.
3. We participated in the Regional Stellar tour today.
4. The Board of Works moved to hire a structural consultant for the problems with the new roof at the Police Department.

**CLERK-TREASURER’S REPORT:** Clerk-Treasurer Copley asked for consideration of Ordinance 2018-20 Adopting the Supplement to the Code of Ordinance. Bridges moved to approve Ordinance 2018-20. Smith seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**COUNCIL PRESIDENT’S REPORT:** Council President Smith said he and the Mayor will coordinate the landlord’s meeting.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS:**

- **Stellar Designation** – Pavey said the streetscape project is getting ready to start. They had a utility meeting and will get a road permit to shut down Main to connect the utility. Main Street will be shut down for approximately 2 weeks.
- **Amphitheater/Park Board** – The last concert is September 15.
- **Marketing** – Nothing.
- **APC/BZA** – Nothing.
- **City Center** – Discussed.
- **Cherry Street Extension** – Responses have been sent. We have talked to Indot to update them on the Court cases.
- **Brownfield Grant** – They took down an above ground contraption at the old grain elevator and emptied the tank.
- **Housing** – Nothing.
- **ECDC** – Nothing.

#### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Police** – Chief Tucker reported that the shooting range renovation is progressing. They are installing a new lighting package. OPO will continue through September 3. The homecoming parade will be September 6<sup>th</sup>.

**Fire** – Chief Jenkins said they received a grant for an AED device. This will be implemented next year at the pool. The Fire Department will do all training.

A letter has been sent to Franklin County via certified mail regarding responding to EMS calls. The letter was approved by Newhouse.

**BEP** – A bid from Holman Excavating was accepted by the Board of Works for 4 properties.

**Street** – Mayor Pavey said Miller and Land are attending their annual conference. He has received word from Idem that they will be inspecting the dump site.

**Park** – Burklow is on vacation.

**Animal** - Pavey said we have been dealing with cat issues. They are also meeting on policies and procedures for pre-vetting animals.

**CITIZEN CONCERNS/COMMENTS:** Sandy Fussner welcomed Kraig Younts the new reporter for the newspaper.

**UNFINISHED BUSINESS:**

1. **Annexation Procedures:** Remaining is the Philpot house at 1531 N Spencer and Gerrian property at 1521 N Spencer. We have completed Massa annexation at 1547 N Spencer. The ordinance for the Philpot empty lot will come before Council on September 18<sup>th</sup> meeting.
2. **Historic Commission and Preservation Ordinance Status** – This will come before Council in September.
3. **Street Retail (Pop-up Vendors)**
  - a. **Ordinance 2018-21 – Amending Transient Merchants, Peddlers and Solicitors of the City of Rushville** – Ordinance sent for review. Send comments to Tracy Newhouse.
  - b. **Ordinance 2018-22 – Amending Noise Regulation Exemption for 130.04 F 10 Ordinance of the City of Rushville** – Ordinance sent for review. Send comments to Tracy Newhouse.

**NEW BUSINESS:.**

1. **Resolution 2018-4 Adoption of Fiscal Plan** – Bridges moved to approve Resolution 2018-4. Cameron seconded the motion. Motion carried.
2. **Transfer Resolution 2018-15 (Police and Animal Shelter)** – Bridges moved to approve Transfer Resolution 2018-15. Conner seconded the motion. Motion carried.
3. **Vacate Alley** –
  - a. **Donald Street and Elizabeth** –
  - b. **906 N Willow (Shuppert)** –This will need to go through the APC first. We need to make sure the procedures are in order so we are consistent.
4. **Landlord Meeting** – The Mayor and Councilman Smith will coordinate.
5. **2019 Budget Meeting Dates** – The budget work session will be Tuesday, September 11 @ 6:00 p.m. Location to be determined.

**CLAIMS:** Cameron moved to approve the claims as presented. Bridges seconded the motion. Motion carried.

**ITEMS NOT KNOWN IN ADVANCE:** Smith said he received an email from Representative Zimpke informing us of the Community Crossings program.

**ADJOURN:** There was no further business to come before Council; Smith moved to adjourn. Conner seconded the motion. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 p.m.